

Issue Brief: DHS – Required Reports

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

IB: DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

SUMMARY

The following reports are either required by statute or by intent language passed during the 2008 General Session.

REPORTS REQUIRED BY STATUTE OR INTENT LANGUAGE

The following four reports are required by statute:

- 1. Division of Child and Family Services UCA 62A-4a-117 (5)
 - (5) Before January 1 each year the director shall submit a written report describing the difference between actual performance and performance goals for the prior fiscal year to the Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel and the Joint Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee. The report shall include:
 - (a) a summary of the division's efforts during the prior fiscal year to implement the Performance Milestone Plan;
 - (b) a summary of how performance must be improved to achieve full implementation of the Performance Milestone Plan;
 - (c) data on the extent to which new and experienced division employees have received training pursuant to statute and division policy; and
 - (d) an analysis of the use and efficacy of family preservation services, both before and after removal of children from their homes.
- 2. Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health UCA 62A-15-103 (2)(g)-(h) for local substance abuse and mental health reports:
 - (g) by July 1 of each year, provide to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee and the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee a written report that includes:
 - (i) the annual audit and review;
 - (ii) the financial expenditures of each local substance abuse authority and its contract provider and each local mental health authority and its contract provider;
 - (iii) the status of the compliance of each local authority and its contract provider with its plan, state statutes, and the provisions of the contract awarded; and
 - (iv) whether audit guidelines established under Section 62A-15-110 and Subsection 67-3-1(10) provide the division with sufficient criteria and assurances of appropriate expenditures of public funds; and
 - (h) if requested by the Health and Human Services Interim Committee or the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee, provide an oral report as requested.
- 3. Drug Courts UCA 51-9-201(4)-(6):
 - (4) To the extent that funds will be available for appropriation in a given fiscal year, those funds shall be appropriated from the account in the following order:
 - (a) \$10,300,000 to the Department of Health for the Children's Health Insurance Program created in Section 26-40-103 and for restoration of dental benefits in the Children's Health Insurance Program;
 - (b) \$4,000,000 to the Department of Health for alcohol, tobacco, and other drug prevention, reduction,

cessation, and control programs that promote unified messages and make use of media outlets, including radio, newspaper, billboards, and television, and with a preference in funding given to tobacco-related programs;

- (c) \$193,700 to the Administrative Office of the Courts and \$1,296,300 to the Department of Human Services for the statewide expansion of the drug court program;
- (d) \$77,400 to the Board of Pardons, \$81,700 to the Department of Corrections, and \$350,900 to the Department of Human Services for a drug board pilot program;
- (e) \$4,000,000 to the State Board of Regents for the University of Utah Health Sciences Center to benefit the health and well-being of Utah citizens through in-state research, treatment, and educational activities: and
 - (f) any remaining funds as directed by the Legislature through appropriation.
- (5) (a) If tobacco funds in dispute for attorney fees are received by the state, those funds shall be divided and deposited in accordance with Subsection (3) and Section 51-9-202.
- (b) The amount appropriated from the Tobacco Settlement Restricted Account to the Department of Health for alcohol, tobacco, and other drug programs described in Subsection (4)(b), including the funding preference for tobacco-related programs, shall be increased by up to \$2,000,000 in a given fiscal year to the extent that funds in dispute for attorney fees are available to the state for appropriation from the account.
- (6) Each state agency identified in Subsection (4) shall provide an annual report on the program and activities funded under Subsection (4) to:
 - (a) the Health and Human Services Interim Committee no later than September 1; and
 - (b) the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee.
- 4. Aging and Adult Services UCA 62A-3-110 (2) (c) on the "Out and About" Homebound Transportation Assistance Fund.
 - (c) make an annual report on the "Out and About" Homebound Transportation Assistance Fund to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee.

The following two reports are required by intent language from the 2008 General Session:

- 1. Divisions of Substance Abuse and Mental Health and Child and Family Services H.B. 2, Items 86 and 90: The Legislature intends that the Divisions of Substance Abuse and Mental Health and Child and Family Services provide a written report to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee by the 2009 General Session on the use of funds provided by Item 93, Chapter 371 of the Laws of Utah for substance abuse treatment services for women. This report is to provide information on how many individuals were served, the effectiveness of the treatment services, and the fiscal impact on current funding levels for children in state custody.
- 2. Division of Aging and Adult Services, H.B. 2, Item 91:

 The Legislature intends that the Division of Aging and Adult Services report to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee by the 2009 General Session on the funding provided in this item for the Nursing Home Placement Prevention Pilot program. This report is to include the number of clients served, the total expenditures for the program and the cost savings generated.